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SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Brown, would you care to respond?

SENATOR BROWN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Brown, can one Legislature bind a future Legislature?

SENATOR BROWN: No, not past the biennium.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: This intent language that is placed in here cannot bind the Legislature beyond the year that the language would actually take effect, can it?

SENATOR BROWN: Right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's why we say it's the intent. Thank you. Members of the Legislature, and, Senator Crosby, you all understand how this process works down here, and there's no need in anybody expressing shock at me offering that amendment that would take away the hypocrisy from what is being put into the bill by the committee amendment. I could put \$100 million in here, and you ought to go for it to make you look good because that's all you want anyway, because there is no...it's not binding on the Legislature. In the year 2000, that Legislature can do whatever it wants to do. Next year, this Legislature can do whatever it wants to do. So why do you do these things to create the impression that something is being done when you know good and well it is not? I'd like to ask Senator Schimek a question.

SPEAKER WITHEM. Senator Schimek, do you care to respond?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Not really, but I will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Schimek, and, by the way, anybody who doesn't want to answer one of my questions can do so, and I'm not going to take offense, but don't you all be asking me questions around here either. Just like the Judiciary Committee has found out, it's on its own now as far as I'm concerned, but I'll make them pay when they bring that trash to the floor. Senator Schimek, is it your understanding also that